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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. KOHL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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Reported by Mr. JOHNSTON, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

**A BILL**

To provide for assistance in the preservation of Taliesin in the State of Wisconsin, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       ~~SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.~~

4       This Act may be cited as the “Taliesin Preservation  
5       Act of 1993”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that the nationally  
3 significant land, improvements, and landscapes in the  
4 State of Wisconsin that comprise the complex known as  
5 “Taliesin”—

6 (1) was the home and studio of America’s most  
7 important artist of this century, architect Frank  
8 Lloyd Wright, from 1911 until 1959;

9 (2) was designated as a National Historic  
10 Landmark on January 7, 1976;

11 (3) includes other projects designed by Wright,  
12 including—

13 (A) the Romeo and Juliet Windmill, de-  
14 signed in 1897;

15 (B) the Hillside Home School, designed in  
16 1901;

17 (C) the Tan-y-deri residence, designed in  
18 1907;

19 (D) the Midway Farm, designed in 1937;  
20 and

21 (E) 600 acres of landscape;

22 (4) includes the adjoining—

23 (A) Unity Chapel, which Wright worked on  
24 in 1887 for architect Joseph Silsbee; and

25 (B) Michels Farm property, which was the  
26 farm of Wright’s uncle Thomas (Jones);

1           (5) is the preeminent single site in the world for  
2       interpreting the life, work, and ideas of Wright; and

3           (6) can best achieve the goals of the National  
4       Park Service by becoming an affiliated area of the  
5       National Park System, while remaining under pri-  
6       vate ownership and management.

7       (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to provide  
8       for the preservation and interpretation by the Secretary  
9       of the Interior, acting through the Director of the Na-  
10      tional Park Service, of the complex in Wisconsin known  
11      as the “Taliesin”, for the benefit of present and future  
12      generations.

13   **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

14       As used in this Act:

15           (1) OWNER OR OPERATOR.—The term “owner  
16       or operator” means the owner or operator of the  
17       Taliesin site.

18           (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
19       the Secretary of the Interior.

20           (3) TALIESIN SITE.—The term “Taliesin site”  
21       means the properties described in section 2.

22   **SEC. 4. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND PLAN.**

23       (a) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—

24           (1) IN GENERAL.—In furtherance of the pur-  
25       pose of this Act, and after approving a comprehen-

1 sive plan in accordance with subsection (b), the Sec-  
2 retary may enter into one or more cooperative agree-  
3 ments containing the provisions described in para-  
4 graph (3) with the owner or operator to provide as-  
5 sistance in accordance with paragraph (2).

6 ~~(2) ASSISTANCE.~~—Pursuant to a cooperative  
7 agreement described in paragraph (1), in accordance  
8 with the comprehensive plan described in subsection  
9 (b), and for the benefit of the public, the Secretary  
10 may provide technical and financial assistance for  
11 the protection, restoration, and interpretation of the  
12 Taliesin site.

13 ~~(3) PROVISIONS.~~—Each agreement shall pro-  
14 vide that the owner or operator—

15 ~~(A)~~ shall permit public access to the  
16 Taliesin site at reasonable times through con-  
17 ducted tours that interpret the culturally sig-  
18 nificant portions of the Taliesin site; and

19 ~~(B)~~ may make no change or alteration of  
20 the Taliesin site that is not consistent with the  
21 comprehensive plan.

22 ~~(b) COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.~~—

23 ~~(1) PREPARATION AND ADOPTION.~~—As a condi-  
24 tion of entering into a cooperative agreement under  
25 subsection (a), the owner or operator shall prepare

1 and adopt a comprehensive plan for the continued  
 2 preservation and public use of the Taliesin site and  
 3 submit the plan to the Secretary for approval.

4 (2) APPROVAL.—The Secretary shall approve  
 5 the comprehensive plan if the plan is consistent  
 6 with, and in furtherance of, the purpose of this Act.

7 (3) AMENDMENT.—The plan may be amended  
 8 or revised from time to time, but no assistance, fi-  
 9 nancial or otherwise, may be made available pursu-  
 10 ant to any cooperative agreement unless the amend-  
 11 ment or revision is approved by the Secretary in ac-  
 12 cordance with this subsection.

13 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), there  
 15 are authorized to be appropriated \$8,000,000 to carry out  
 16 this Act.

17 (b) MATCHING FUNDS.—As a condition of the avail-  
 18 ability of funds pursuant to this Act, the funds must be  
 19 supplemented with matching non-Federal funds on a one-  
 20 to-one basis. The non-Federal matching funds shall come  
 21 from both State and private funding sources.

22 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

23 *This Act may be cited as the “Taliesin Preservation*  
 24 *Act of 1994”.*

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

2 (a) *FINDINGS.*—*The Congress finds that—*

3 (1) *“Taliesin”, the nationally significant 600-*  
4 *acre site located in the State of Wisconsin, together*  
5 *with its structures and improvements, was the home*  
6 *and studio of the exceptionally gifted and outstanding*  
7 *artist, architect Frank Lloyd Wright, from 1911 until*  
8 *1959, and was designated as a National Historic*  
9 *Landmark in 1976; and*

10 (2) *Taliesin is the preeminent single site in the*  
11 *Nation for interpreting the life, work, and ideas of*  
12 *Wright, and can best be protected and interpreted*  
13 *through designation as an affiliated area of the Na-*  
14 *tional Park System, while remaining under private*  
15 *ownership and management.*

16 (b) *PURPOSE.*—*The purpose of this Act is to provide*  
17 *for the preservation and interpretation of the Taliesin site*  
18 *by the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as*  
19 *the “Secretary”), for the benefit of present and future*  
20 *generations.*

21 **SEC. 3. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS AND PLAN.**

22 (a) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.*—(1) *In furtherance*  
23 *of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to enter into cooper-*  
24 *ative agreements with the owner or operator of the Taliesin*  
25 *site, pursuant to which agreements the Secretary may*  
26 *mark, interpret, restore, and provide technical assistance*

1 *for the preservation of the site, in accordance with the com-*  
 2 *prehensive plan described in subsection (b).*

3 *(2) Each cooperative agreement shall provide that the*  
 4 *Secretary shall have the right of access at reasonable times*  
 5 *to all public portions of the property covered by the agree-*  
 6 *ment, for the purpose of conducting visitors through such*  
 7 *properties and interpreting them to the public.*

8 *(3) Such cooperative agreements shall provide that no*  
 9 *changes or alterations shall be made in the property covered*  
 10 *by the agreement except by mutual agreement between the*  
 11 *Secretary and the other party to the agreement.*

12 *(b) COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.—(1) As a condition of en-*  
 13 *tering into cooperative agreements and receiving financial*  
 14 *assistance under this Act, the owner or operator shall pre-*  
 15 *pare and adopt a comprehensive plan for the continued*  
 16 *preservation and public use of the Taliesin site and submit*  
 17 *such plan to the Secretary for approval.*

18 *(2) The plan may be amended or revised from time*  
 19 *to time, but no assistance, financial or otherwise, in con-*  
 20 *junction with this Act, may be made available by the Sec-*  
 21 *retary pursuant to any cooperative agreement unless the*  
 22 *amendment or revision is approved by the Secretary.*

23 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24 *There are authorized to be appropriated not more than*  
 25 *\$8,000,000 to carry out the purpose of this Act: Provided,*



1 *That with respect to the cooperative agreements authorized*  
2 *in subsection 3(a), the Secretary may not provide more*  
3 *than one-third of the aggregate cost of implementing those*  
4 *agreements. The remainder of the cost shall be borne by*  
5 *State and private entities.*